



Final Design of the Beam Source for the MITICA Injector

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Consorzio RFX: what is it?











CONSORZIO RFX

(consortium of Padova University and main Italian public research entities)

150 employees (40 administration, 110 scientific)

~30 students

(degree & doctorate)



Activities for DEMO

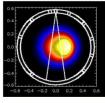
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Other ITER/tokamak activities

RFX experiment

ITER Neutral Beam Test Facility



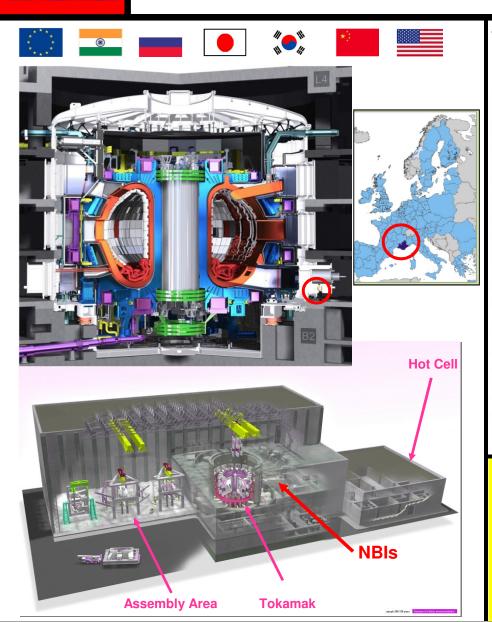




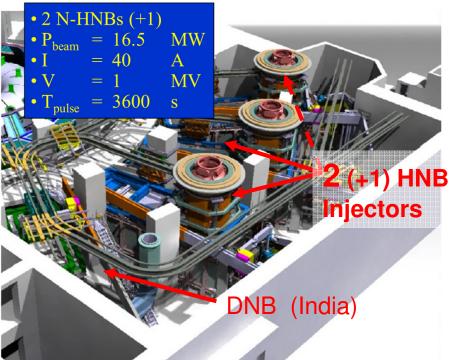


ITER & the Heating Neutral Beam System





Two HNB Injectors at 1 MV accelerating voltage and injecting 16.5 MW each into the plasma



Large scientific/technological step from existing NB systems → Decision to establish a <u>full scale</u> Neutral Beam Test Facility (NBTF/PRIMA).

Agreements signed between IO and F4E (with the endorsement of Japan and India) and between F4E and Consorzio RFX



Strong international collaboration





Strong international cooperation for:

- Neutral Beam Test Facility
- ITER Heating NB
- ITER Diagnostic NB















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Moreover, ITALY is contributing with the NBTF civil works and general services



ITER Neutral Beam Test Facility



Padova Research on Injector Megavolt Accelerated (PRIMA)



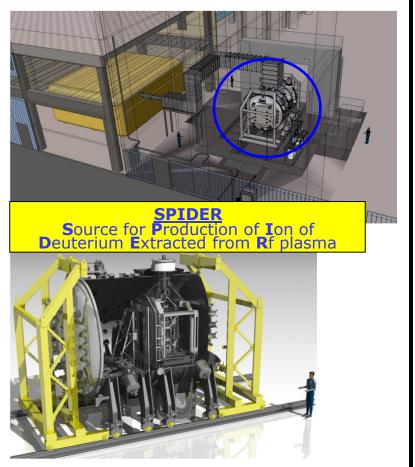


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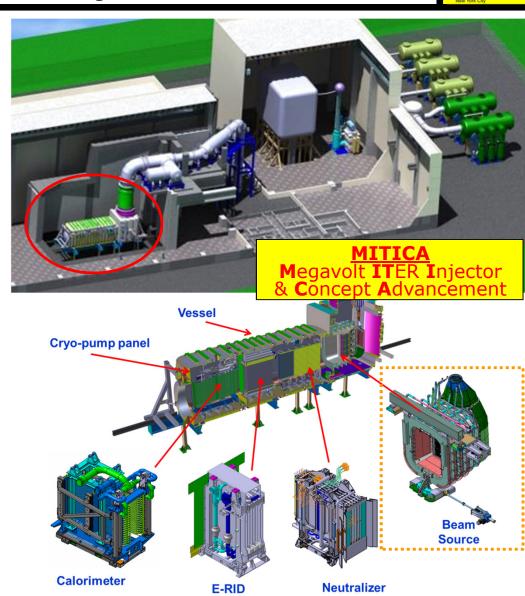
GIS2018

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on Ion Sources
August 23-28, 2015
New York City

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Two experiments are foreseen to be hosted in the PRIMA facility: an ion source prototype (DNB-relevant) and a full injector prototype

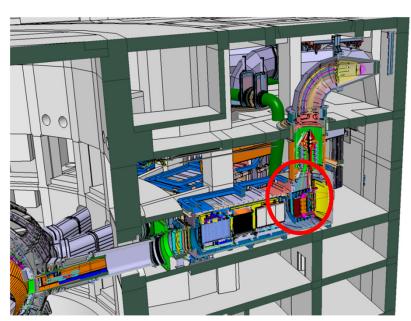




MITICA / HNB Beam Source - basics



ITER HNB

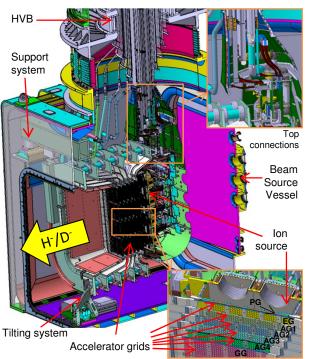


The **Beam Source** for the ITER Neutral Beam Injector...

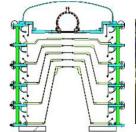
... designed (to be procured and tested first) for the **MITICA** experiment...

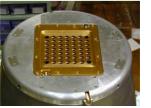
... based on the concept and experiments developed and running at IPP and JAEA

MITICA final design

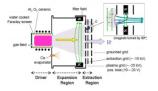


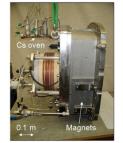
JAEA Megavolt Test Facility





IPP ion source concept and test beds



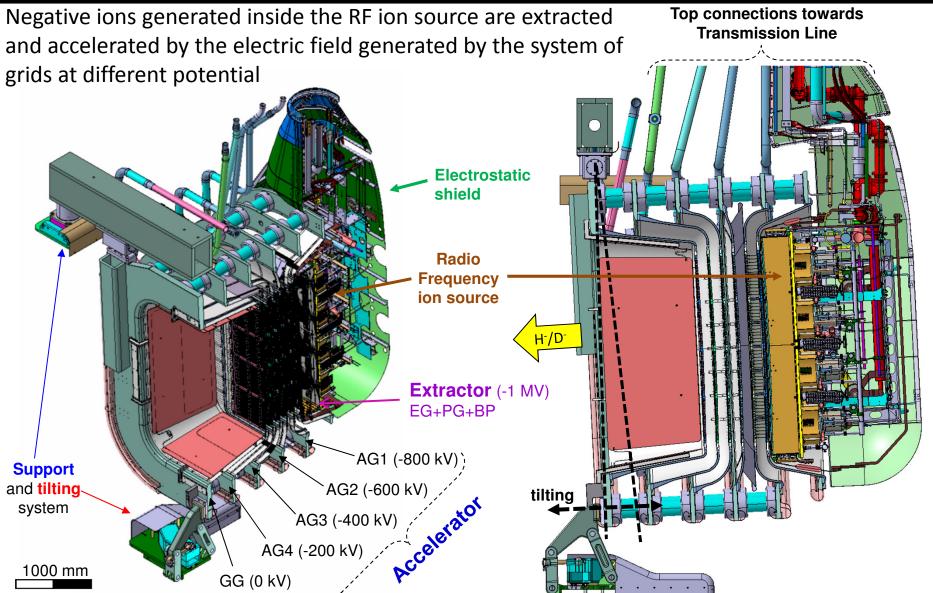






MITICA Beam Source - final design



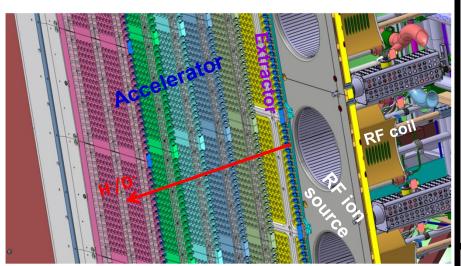




MITICA Beam Source: the "core"



The functional "core"



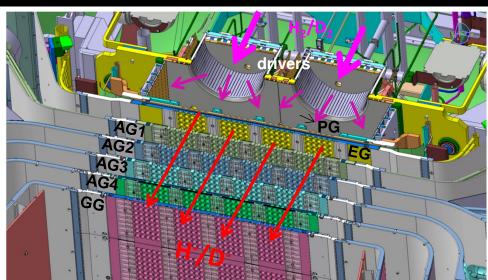
Vertical section

In the next slides:

- Interfaces
- Grid design
- Accelerator ceramic insulator
- Accelerator assembly and alignment

H₂/D₂ gas in injected and ionized in each driver, then flows in the source main chamber.

Negative ions generated next to the Plasma Grid are extracted and then accelerated. Every grid has 4 segments, with 4 groups of 16x5 apertures, for a total of 1280 beamlets of negative ions.

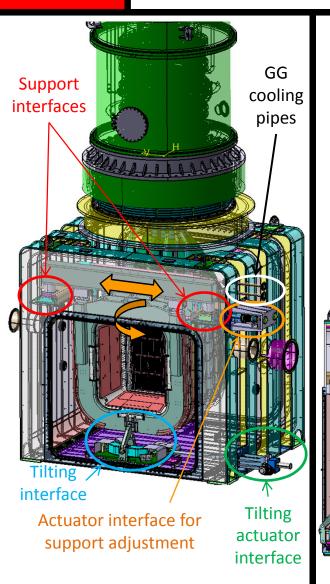


Horizontal section

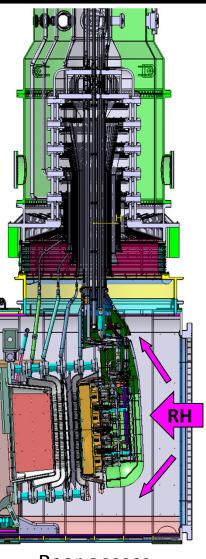


MITICA / HNB Beam Source - interfaces



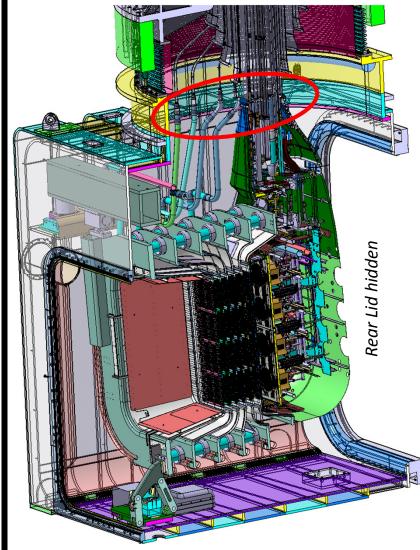


Beam Source Vessel



Rear access (Remote Handling)

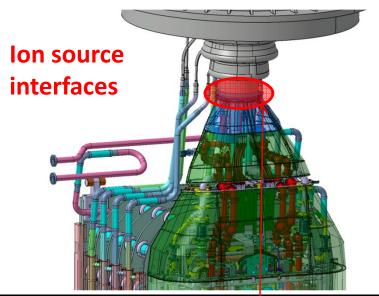
High Voltage Bushing

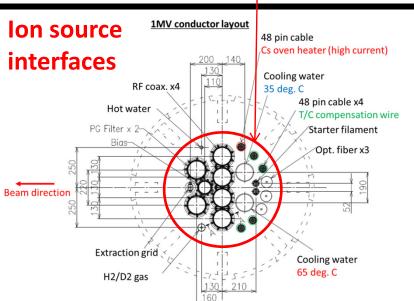




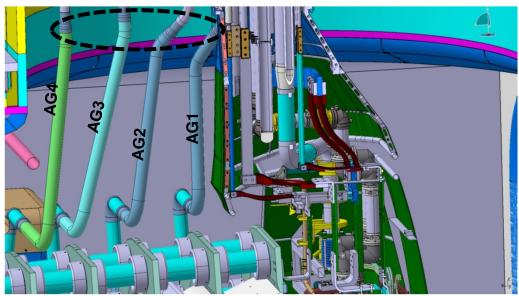
Beam Source / HV bushing interfaces







Accelerator interfaces – cooling pipes



Around 20 ion source interfaces within the -1 MV shield have been finalized in all details:

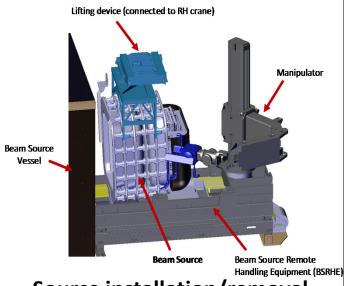
- DC power supply
- RF coaxial lines
- Water supply
- Gas supply
- Signal cables
- Optical fibres

Design optimization of RF lines (ThuPE05)

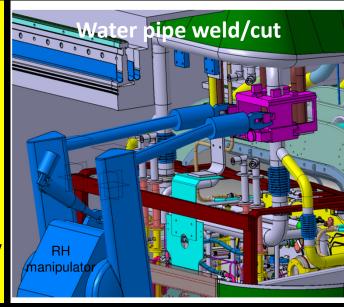


Beam Source / RH Equipment interfaces

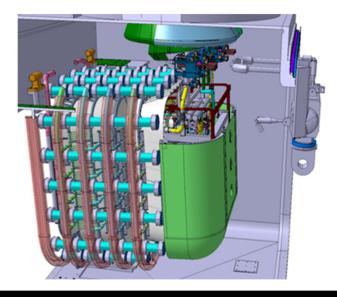




Maintenance
interventions in ITER
are typically remote
handled for in-vessel
components.
The design takes into
account related
procedures, specifically
developed







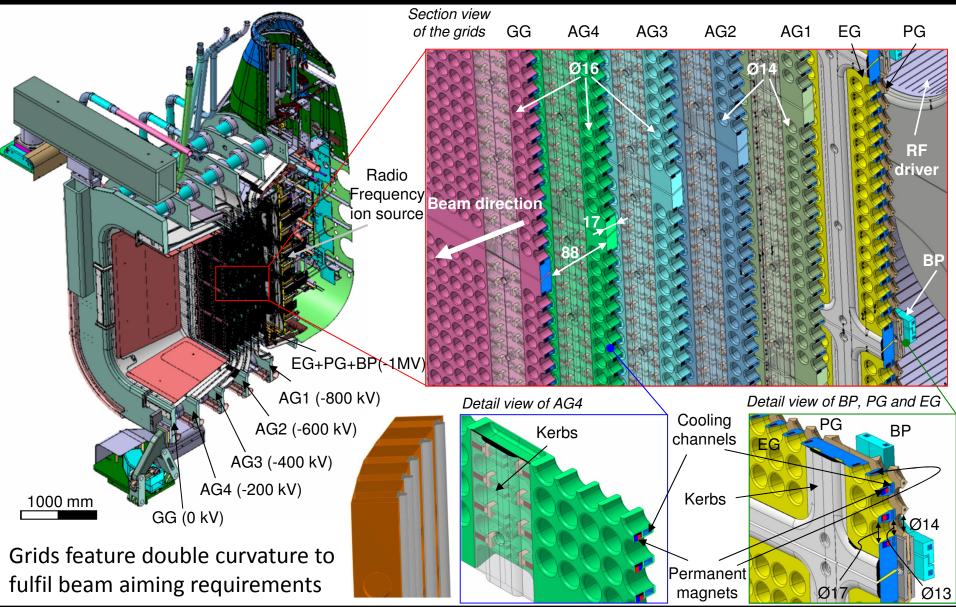
Example of maintenance intervention verification for the foreseen tasks





Accelerator final design

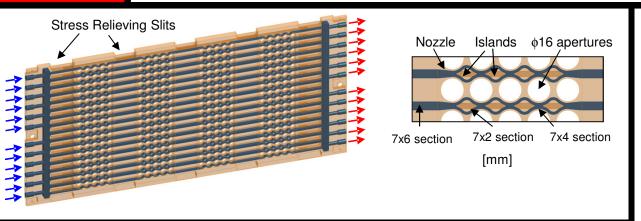




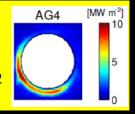


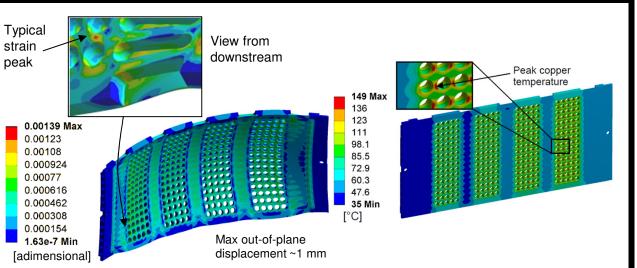
Grids final design



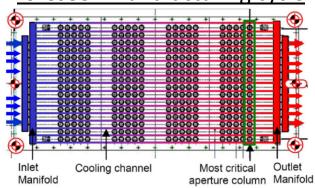


The power deposited on grids is very high and concentrated on the five acceleration grids, in the range $1.2 \div 1.6$ MW, with density up to 10 MW/m²

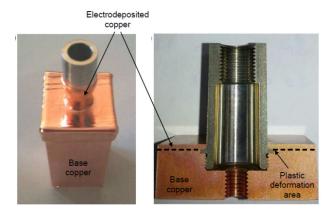




"Standard" design details and foreseen manufacturing cycle



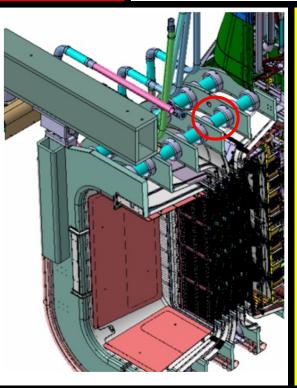
Cu-AISI grid-pipe joint
Vacuum Tight Threaded
Junction (VTTJ), conceived and
patented by Consorzio RFX





Accelerator ceramic insulators





5 groups of 18 ceramic insulators (Al2O3, 99% purity) are part of the cantilevered accelerator structure.

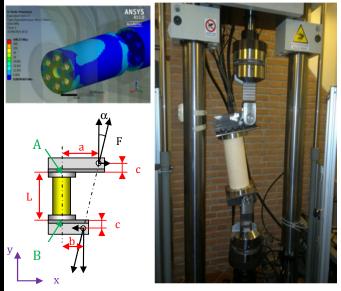
The whole structure has been simulated to identify the most stressed insulators, in terms of tension, shear and bending forces.

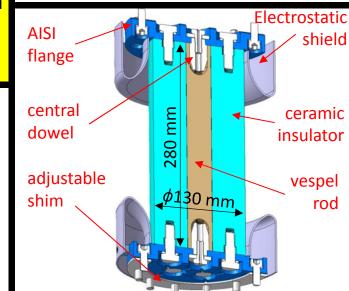
These data were "translated" in requirements for an equivalent tensile test.

A full cylinder geometry had been first considered to maximize electrostatic performances.

Manufacture experienced difficulties in producing reliably components strong enough with such shape.

A hollow cylinder shape was then successfully produced, tested as foreseen and adopted as reference solution.

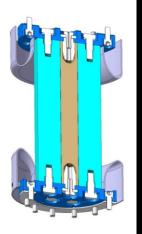






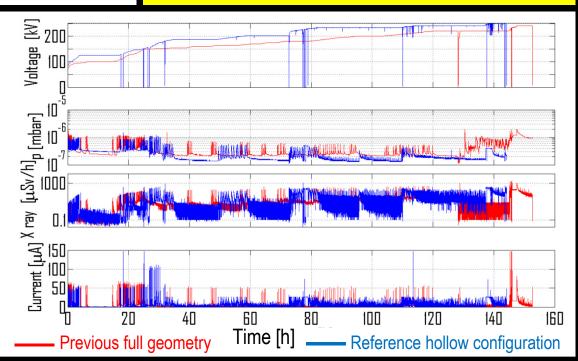
Accelerator ceramic insulators

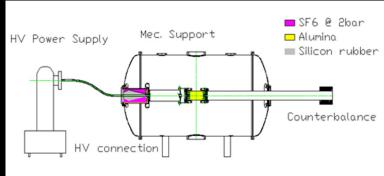




In order to withstand the electrical test at 240 kVdc in vacuum with a background pressure in the range $10^{-5} \div 5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ Pa, the central hole had to be filled with a vespel® rod, thermally shrink fitted to eliminate gaps.

The required voltage was held for more than 20 h, with a leak current $<50 \mu$ A.





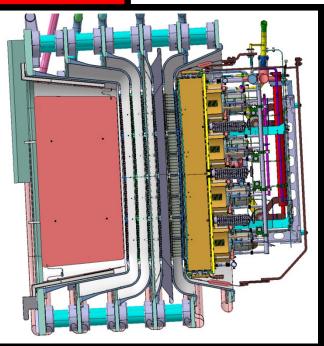
The electrical tests have been successfully carried out at the High Voltage Padova Test Facility @ Padova University





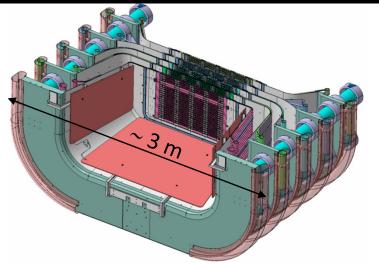
Assembly and alignment





The accelerator assembly and the alignment of corresponding apertures of different grid is one of the most challenging tasks.

- The system is very large and complex
- Many parts have difficult shape and manufacturing cycle
- Alignment requirements are very tight: maximum distance between corresponding aperture axes in the order of 0,2 mm in the extractor (between PG and EG) and 0,5 mm among AGs, at operation conditions. Offsets for each aperture were defined to deal with thermal deformation and physics requirements for optics.



Grids must be aligned for proper beamlet optics, but also pointing in the right direction to reach ITER tokamak, hence each grid (segment, aperture) shall be correctly **positioned** in a unique absolute coordinate system.

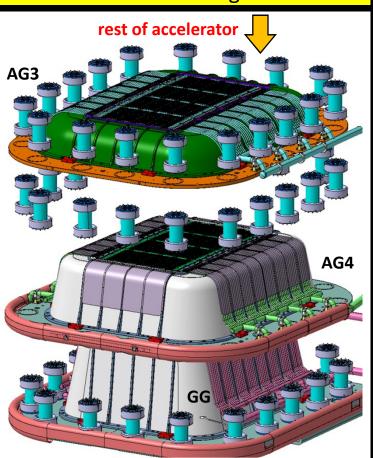
Not only the position of apertures is important: the orientation of the grid surfaces influences the electric field distribution, hence beamlet optics.



Assembly and alignment



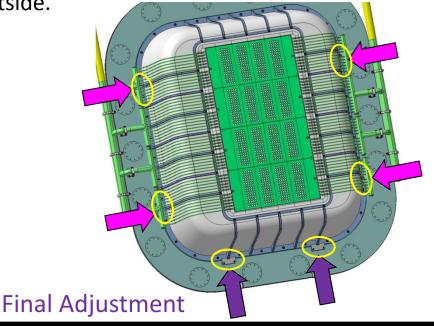
The accelerator will be assembled in progression starting from GG and going backwards, possibly at least initially with beam axis pointing downward for handling ease.



The source nominal configuration features the beam axis almost horizontal, cantilevered from the GG, hence gravity will likely affect the position of grids, that will need final vertical position check.

Due to the "nested" shape of the accelerator frames, at the completion of assembly grids are not in sight anymore.

Adjustment systems are foreseen on accelerator frames to regulate horizontal/vertical position of grids from

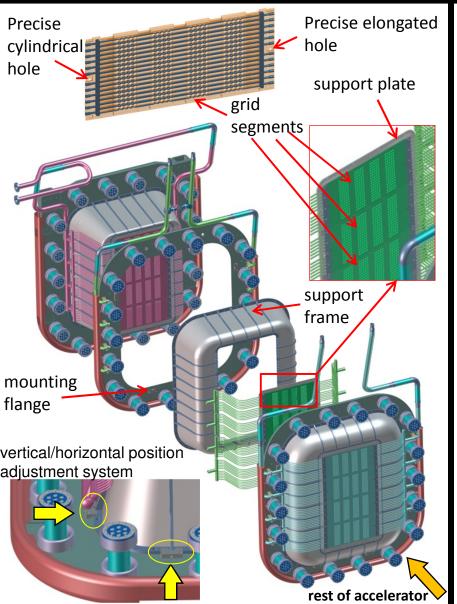


outside.



Assembly and alignment





Criteria to handle the complex chain of tolerance in the accelerator (and meet the goal!):

- apertures will be precisely machined (in the order of few hundredths of mm tolerance) with respect to the reference holes for dowels in each grid segment
- two calibrated dowels lead the positioning of each grid segment onto the respective support plate
- once the link between each mounting flange and the adjacent one is carefully established (eighteen ceramic post-insulators), the position of grid+support frame can be adjusted in plane
- optical targets will be positioned on grid frames and segments, in order to allow the verification of the position of each grid at several stages throughout the assembly procedures





Thank you for your attention!

Monday Afternoon Poster Session – Empire (14:00-16:00)			
MonPE01	Simulation of beam profiles from extracted ion current distributions for mini-STRIKE	P. Agostinetti	
MonPE02	Multi-beamlet investigation of the deflection compensation methods of SPIDER beamlets	C. Baltador	
MonPE07	Analysis of diagnostic calorimeter data by the transfer function technique	R.S. Delogu	
MonPE22	Castellated tiles as the beam-facing components for the diagnostic calorimeter of the negative ion source SPIDER	S. Peruzzo	
MonPE25	Gas Flow and Density Profile in NIO1 Accelerator and Vessel	E. Sartori	
MonPE26	Simulation of Space Charge Compensation in a multibeamlet negative ion beam	E. Sartori	
MonPE28	Numerical Simulations of the First Operational Conditions of the Negative Ion Test Facility SPIDER	G. Serianni	

Tuesday Afternoon Poster Session – Empire (14:00-16:00)				
TuePE28	Beam deflection applied to Neutral Beam Injection for a Fusion Devices reactor	N. Pilan		
TuePE30	Characterization and Optimization of NIO1 Extraction Aperture by 3D PIC Model	N. Ippolito		
Tuesday Afternoon Poster Session – Soho (14:00-16:00)				
TuePS24	Preliminary Design of Electrostatic Sensors for MITICA Beam Line Components	S. Spagnolo		
TuePS33	Particle Transport and Heat Loads in NIO1	P. Veltri		
TuePS34	Optics of the NIFS Negative ion source test stand by infrared calorimetry and numerical modeling	P. Veltri		

Posters by Consorzio RFX

Thursday Poster Session – Empire (14:00-16:00)			
ThuPE01	First hydrogen operation of NIO1: characterization of the source plasma by means of an optical emission spectroscopy diagnostic	M. Barbisan	
ThuPE02	Feasibility Study of a NBI Photoneutralizer Based on Nonlinear Gating Laser Recirculation	A. Fassina	
ThuPE03	Off-normal and failure condition analysis of the MITICA negative-ion Accelerator	G. Chitarin	
ThuPE05	Design optimization of RF lines in vacuum environment for the MITICA experiment	M. De Muri	
ThuPE13	Development and tests of Molybdenum armed copper components for MITICA ion source	M. Pavei	
ThuPE14	Simulation of diatomic gas-wall interaction and accommodation coefficients for Negative Ion Sources and accelerators	E. Sartori	
ThuPE20	Transmission of electrons inside the cryogenic pumps of ITER Neutral Beam Injector	P. Veltri	
ThuPE23	Steady state thermal-hydraulic analysis of the MITICA experiment cooling circuits	M. Zaupa / D. Marcuzzi	
ThuPE25	Integration of RFQ Beam Coolers and Solenoidal Magnetic Field Traps	M. Cavenago	